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SUBJ: CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY: VIEWS OF DEPUTIES LE HUU LAM AND NGUYEN HUU HIEU

1. SEPTEMBER 24 VIETNAMESE EDITION VIET NAM PRESS REPORTS INTERVIEW WITH ARVN DOCTOR LE HUU LAM, CA DEPUTY FROM KONTUM PROVINCE. LAM BELIEVES THAT DEPUTIES SHOULD ACTIVELY SEEK VIEWS OF POPULATION IN THE COUNTRYSIDE BEFORE FORMING OPINION ON WHAT TYPE OF CONSTITUTION SHOULD BE DRAFTED. THIS IS ONLY WAY THAT CONSTITUTION CAN BE RESPONSIVE TO WAR-TIME

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NEEDS OF VIETNAMESE PEOPLE.

2. SAME EDITION VIET NAM PRESS CARRIES INTERVIEW OF OF LAWYER NGUYEN HUU HIEU, DEPUTY FROM PHUOC TUY PROVINCE, WHO EXPRESSES PREFERENCE FOR STRONG EXECUTIVE BRANCH "TO MEET NEEDS OF PRESENT SITUATION." HOWEVER, CONSTITUTION SHOULD PROVIDE FOR SUFFICIENTLY STRONG LEGISLATURE AND FREE JUDICIARY TO PREVENT ~~EXCESSES BY EXECUTIVE BRANCH.~~
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